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**NOTICE OF APPEAL AND
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §
1.136(a)**

Docket Number:
11411/115

Application Number
09/482,688

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Examiner
Frank I. Choi

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1616

Invention Title
**FOOD SUPPLEMENT FOR INCREASING
LEAN MASS AND STRENGTH**

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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference from the decision of the Examiner made in the Final Office Action dated December 2002, rejecting claims 25, 27-29, 31-34, 36-38, 40-43, 45-47, 49-57, and 65-67.

An Amendment accompanies this response.

Applicants also respectfully request a three-month extension of time in which to respond to the Final Office Action for which a response period expiring on March 31, 2002 was set. The extended period now expires on June 30, 2003.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.191 Notice of Appeal fee of **\$160.00** and the 37 CFR §1.136(a) extension fee of **\$465.00** to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number **11-0600**. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment in connection with this paper to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A duplicate of this communication is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: June 27, 2003

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